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In re application of: O'Keefe et al.

Application No.: 09/935,455

Date Filed: 08/22/2001

Group No.: 1744

Examiner: Beisner, W.

For: Apparatus and Methods for Parallel Processing of Micro-Volume Liquid Reactions

**RESPONSE UNDER  
37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP  
1744**

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AMENDMENT OR RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION--TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. 1.116) for this application.

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## STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement was already filed.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for one month:

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## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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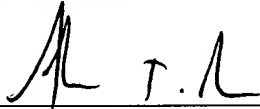
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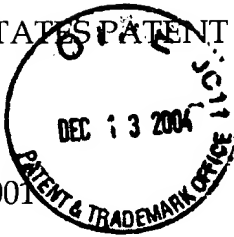
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116-EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 1744**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final office action dated August 10, 2004, Applicant submit the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.